

Chairman's viewpoint 08.11.

Everybody kept asking me before the last meeting, hope it is fine for the Munster weekend, I told them I had ordered the fine weather and for once i got what i ordered! We could not have asked for better conditions over the weekend, not a drop of rain over the complete weekend. I will re-order the same conditions for the Scottish weekend.

The Munster's did manage the trip north to present their winning trophies, with Daddy & Tucky, Mummy Munster was not to well and could not manage the long trip. They went home on the Sunday night very pleased with the racing and are already planning next season. The great weather was accompied by great racing from ALL formulae's, with action a plenty over the weekend. The F2's had their first ever two day race meeting at Crimond raceway with all the usual cars + drivers plus one or two new drivers having a go. Gordon Moodie # 7, certainly went home happy with his points total for the weekend, 84 out of a possible 100 points he managed which will help him possibly retain the national points championship for this season.

The team Bangers certainly put on a show, although it was a bit confusing sometimes with both Taliban teams racing in the same team colours, knowing who was in what team. Maybe they should reverse the colours in one team for next time. Both teams certainly had the same idea though, take out as many team Junkyard dogs cars as possible, this did lead to a bit of tension in the pits over the weekend, but after the very exciting final on the Sunday, all were shaking hands and reminiscing over the weekend events. All the action should always stay on the track in all formulae's and not in the pits, although we find it is not always the drivers who are the problem, so called "supporters and team members" are usually who start it, but can lead to a driver being banned for their actions.

I will leave all the other reports in this programme on who did what over the weekend, with the addition of a report by Scott Keith on the Stoxkarts. He had his pen and reporters note book strapped onto the steering wheel so he could make notes as he was racing # 318, it is not only you ladies who can multitask you know !

The National Hot rod world final was on during the same weekend as ourselves, hence the lack of both our usual commentators. This is their annual visit come holidays to sunny England and this year they had the chance to cheer a Crimond driver in the World final it'self, our own Graham Gordon # 338. Graham has been missing at Crimond raceway this season due to trying to qualify for the World final and this he achieved. The Madman will have a report in his mutterings, but I will say that Graham won the Revenge World final race, well done to Graham !!!

Last weekend saw the second meeting for our Hot Saloons at Lochgelly. Only 5 cars made the trip but put on a fine show with Dave Lague #84, having to do a "John Buchan" type drive round the outside of Gordon Allan #6 in every race to go on a win all three races. Our Ministox drivers Ross Smith #058 & Cat Murray #65 also were competing with Ross having a race win and top three placing's for his day. This was Cat's first visit and was a bit apprehensive, but went home in one piece despite hitting the outer Armco quite hard in her second race. Another Crimond Ministox driver was competing, Sean Riddell #029, but in the Junior Bangers. This formula is run with the same age group for the Ministox, but in Bangers up to 1400cc. Sean had prepared his own car but to last year's rules, which was only a engine size of 1200cc. His Nissan Micra 1.2 was a bit underpowered compared to the other cars but he finished every race and is already planning changing to a Rover 1.4 for his next visit. Next Sunday July 24th is the next round of the Northern saloon championship at Lochgelly, so if you are at a loose end travel down and support our Saloonstox driver's, a meeting not to miss.

Today we have the return of the Unlimited engine size Bangers, who are competing for the Brian Jamieson shield and the Road going saloons will be competing for the Paul Anderson shield. There are no Brisca F2' today due to the European championship weekend at Northampton, so the Stokarts are back again for their third straight appearance. Our next meeting on July 31st will have the Bangers competing for the Derek Dawson trophies and with the re-scheduled Nicky Grieves trophies on September 25, there are now trophies at every remaining Banger meeting, meetings not to miss! Well that's about it for today, enjoy your racing and see you all next time.

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